King County	Department of Adult and Juvenile Detention Adult Divisions General Policy Manual	
	Chapter 3 **Safety and Emergency Procedures**	
3.02.008 – Resident Fights and Assaults	Approved By:	Director Allen Nance
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Purpose
To outline the proper response/actions to be taken when a resident fight or assault takes place.

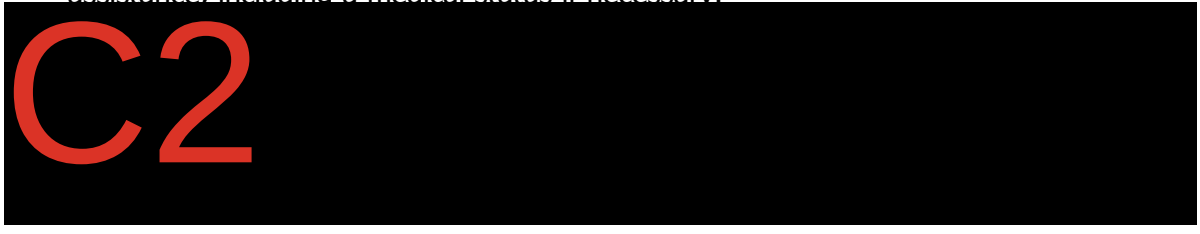
Policy
It is the policy of this Department to require available Corrections Officers to respond immediately to any fight or assault and restore order using reasonable and necessary force when necessary.

References

RCW:	Title 9A
Department Policies:	1.03.010, Peer Support and Critical Incident Response 4.01.023, Video Recordings 4.03.006, Pepper Spray 4.03.009, Restraints 4.03.014, Use of Force 4.03.018, Taser® CEW – Conducted Energy Weapon
Department Forms:	Rule Infraction Officer's Report Supervisor's Incident Report

Definitions
Primary Sergeant: The Sergeant detailed to oversee a specific area.
Criminal Investigation: An investigation that is conducted to determine if there is probable cause to believe a crime has been committed.
Use of Force: The use of reasonable and necessary physical force to prevent individuals from causing harm to themselves or others, or to restore order.

Procedure
A. Initial Officer(s) at the scene shall**:**
1. Notify Floor Control or Central Control of the type of emergency and request assistance, including a medical status if necessary.



B. **Responding Officers** shall:

C. The **Primary Sergeant** shall:

D. The **Shift Commander** shall:

1. Complete a review of all reports forwarded by the Sergeant.
2. In the event of a suspected crime and if the reports forwarded show probable cause, submit the case to the Criminal Investigations Unit or assign an Investigator to follow up.
3. Provide the resources and personnel necessary to secure a crime scene properly.
4. Notify the Division Major during business hours, or the Executive Duty Officer (EDO) outside of business hours, of any significant injuries sustained by staff or residents during the incident.
5. Authorize additional overtime, if necessary, to allow Investigators adequate time for a thorough investigation and case preparation.
6. The Shift Commander or designee shall capture any facility video relating to the incident, following Department policy 4.01.023, Video Recordings.
7. Forward a copy of the SIR, with comments, to the Division Major.
8. Review the incident with staff for an operational critique, if appropriate.
9. When appropriate, organize a debrief for all affected staff following Department policy 1.03.010, Peer Support and Critical Incident Response.